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For
Continued Examination (RCE)
Transmittal**

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Application Number	09/759,801 ✓
Filing Date	January 12, 2001
First Named Inventor	PIPER, Todd Elliott
Art Unit	1638 ✓
Examiner Name	MEHTA, Ashwin D.
Attorney Docket Number	P06270US00

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.
Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. **(Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114)** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

a. Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.

i. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Rely Brief previously filed on _____
 Other _____

b. Enclosed

i. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendment/Reply	iii. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
ii. <input type="checkbox"/> Affidavit(s)/ Declaration(s)	iv. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____

2. **Miscellaneous**

a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a

a. period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(l) required)
b. Other _____

3. **Fees**

The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.
The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to

a. Deposit Account No. 26-0084

i. RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)

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ii. Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)

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iii. Other _____

b. Check in the amount of \$ 860.00 enclosed

c. Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

Name (Print/Type)	Lila A. T. Akrad	Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	52,550
Signature		Date	7/17/2003

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FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2003

Effective 01/01/2003. Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)

Check Credit card Money Order Other None
 Deposit Account:

Deposit Account Number	26-0084
Deposit Account Name	McKee, Voorhees & Sease, P.L.C.

The Director is authorized to: (check all that apply)

Charge fee(s) indicated below Credit any overpayments
 Charge any additional fee(s) during the pendency of this application
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FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity Small Entity

Fee Code (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1051	130	2051	65 Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052	50	2052	25 Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053	130	1053	130 Non-English specification	
1812	2,520	1812	2,520 For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804	920*	1804	920* Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805	1,840*	1805	1,840* Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	110	2251	55 Extension for reply within first month	110.00
1252	410	2252	205 Extension for reply within second month	
1253	930	2253	465 Extension for reply within third month	
1254	1,450	2254	725 Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255	1,970	2255	985 Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401	320	2401	160 Notice of Appeal	
1402	320	2402	160 Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	280	2403	140 Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	1451	1,510 Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	110	2452	55 Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453	1,300	2453	650 Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501	1,300	2501	650 Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502	470	2502	235 Design issue fee	
1503	630	2503	315 Plant issue fee	
1460	130	1460	130 Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807	50	1807	50 Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
1806	180	1806	180 Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
8021	40	8021	40 Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
1809	750	2809	375 Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
1810	750	2810	375 For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
1801	750	2801	375 Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	750.00
1802	900	1802	900 Request for expedited examination of a design application	

SUBTOTAL (1) (\$)

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims	<input type="text"/>	-20** = <input type="text"/> X <input type="text"/> = <input type="text"/>	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Independent Claims	<input type="text"/>	-3** = <input type="text"/> X <input type="text"/> = <input type="text"/>		
Multiple Dependent				= <input type="text"/>

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Description
Fee Code (\$)	Fee Code (\$)	
1202	18	2202 9 Claims in excess of 20
1201	84	2201 42 Independent claims in excess of 3
1203	280	2203 140 Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204	84	2204 42 ** Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205	18	2205 9 ** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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Other fee (specify) _____

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